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Pan Hong JIANG *et al.*

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For: COMPOUNDS HAVING LECTINIC PROPERTIES AND THEIR
BIOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION
UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In reply to the Official Action of May 24, 2002, Applicants respectfully request that
the above identified be amended as follows:

In the claims

Please cancel claims 92 and 97.

REMARKS

Claims 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 51-59, 61, 62, 64, 66, 67, 69, 72-79, and 82-109 are
pending. Claims 92 and 97 have been canceled. Claims 43, 44, 46, 48, 49, 51-59, 61, 62,
64, 66, 67, 69, 72-79, 82-91, 93-96 and 98-109 remain in the case.

Claims 92 and 97 are rejected under the second paragraph of Section 112 as being
indefinite, and have been canceled.

Claims 76, 86, and 95 are rejected under Section 102(b) based on Glass *et al.* (*J. Cell Biology*, vol. 7, 1988). Examiner Nolan states in the Action that "the isolation of the
protein on a SDS-PAGE gel, would be considered in an inert pharmaceutical carrier." In
support of this novel interpretation of and SDS-PAGE gel, Examiner Nolan cites an excerpt